

Austin/Travis County Health and Human Services Department

The role of public health is to

PROMOTF community wide wellness,

PREVENT disease, and

PROTECT the community from infectious diseases environmental hazards, and epidemics





No-Kill Update

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Progress Since 1997

•Reduced the euthanasia rate by 18% (from 69 to 51)

•Doubled adoption rate increasing adoptions from 8% to 17%

•Increased transfers to other placement agencies from 3% in 1997 to 13% in FY06.

•Reduced intake 10% reduction from the 1997 level (from 27,245 to 24,357)

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Policy/Program Enhancements:

- Microchip program
- •Feral cat program
- Sterilization on 2nd impound
- Escalating fees for multiple impounds
- •Higher reclaim fees for intact animals
- •Rescue Guidelines
- •Free sterilization program

FY08 Budget

- •Budgeted dollars formerly shown under the activity "No Kill Millennium" are reflected in activity "Prevention Services"
- •Performance measures that were on this page remain in the City's performance measures database
- •The "percent of sheltered animals euthanized" remains a performance measure for the department and will be restored to the budget activity page
- •The City Of Austin remains committed to the elimination of animal homelessness and the resulting unnecessary euthanasia of companion animals
- •Work with our community partners and the ASPCA to reduce animal intake, will bring positive impact to saving animals